GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Roads & Buildings Department– ACB Case- Allegation of Disproportionate assets to the known sources of Income- Disproportionate Assets case Dropped-Departmental action initiated against Sri K.V. Raghavendra Rao, the then SE (R&B), Guntur (now retired)– - Regularized the suspension period from 01.09.2017 to 11.09.2019 as "SPENT ON DUTY" under F.R.54-B(3) & (4) - Orders – Issued.

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TRANSPORT, ROADS & BUILDINGS (VIG-R & B) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.107 Dated 17/04/2023.
Read the following:-

1. Radio message received from ACB, in Cr.No.09/RCA-GNT/2017, dt.02.09.2017.
2. G.O.Rt.No.323, TR&B(VIG.R&B) Dept, dt.04.09.2017.
3. From the DG, ACB, Vja, Lr.No.131/RCA-VGT/2017-S-17, Dt.14.03.2022.
4. G.O.Rt.No.377, TR&B(VIG.R&B) Dept, dated:21.12.2021.
5. G.O.Rt.No.82, TR&B(VIG.R&B) Dept, dt.28.03.2022.
6. G.O.Rt.No.222, R&B (VIG-R&B) Dept., dt.8-8-2022.
7. From the Inquiry Authority & ENC(R&B) MDRs, AP, Lr.No.222/ ENC (R&B) MDRs/Inquiry Report/2022, dt. 20.09.2022.
8. G.O.Rt.No.7, TR&B(VIG.R&B) Dept, Dated 06.01.2023.
9. From the Engineer-In- Chief, Administration, A.P., Vijayawada, Lr.No.7341/VC(2)/2022, DT.24.01.2023.

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ORDER:

1. In the radio message 1st read above the officials of ACB has informed that a case was registered against Sri K.V.Raghavendra Rao, the then Superintendent Engineer (R&B), Guntur (now retired) vide Cr.No.09/RCA-GNT/2017, u/s 13(2) r/w 13(1) (e) of Prohibition of Corruption Act, 1988 on the Allegation of Disproportionate assets to the known sources of Income. The Accused Officer has placed deemed suspension w.e.f 1.9.2017 vide G.O.2nd read above. Later, he was reinstated in to service without prejudice to the outcome of Criminal/Disciplinary case pending against him vide G.O.Rt.No.219, T.R & B (Vig.R&B) Department, dt.09.09.2019 and joined duty on 12.09.2019.

2. The Director General, ACB, Vijayawada in his final report vide 3rd read above, has recommended to drop further action against the Accused officer in respect of possession of disproportionate assets to his Known sources, since the DA is below 20% and recommended to initiate departmental action against Accused officer for violation of Rules 8(1), 9(1)&(2) & 10(1A) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

3. Accordingly, Government had dropped further action against Sri K.V. Raghavendra Rao, the then Superintendent Engineer (R&B), Guntur Circle, Guntur District in respect of possession of disproportionate assets to his Known sources, since the DA is below 20% vide G.O. 4th read above, and initiated departmental action by framing Article of charges against the Charged Officer vide 5th read above.

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4. The written statement of defense submitted by the charged officer is no convincing, Government have appointed the Engineer-in-Chief (R&B) MDR as Inquiry Authority to inquire into the charges framed against charged officer vide 6th read above.

5. The Inquiry Authority & the Engineer-in-Chief (R&B) MDR, AP vide his letter dt.29.09.2022 has stated that an inquiry conducted on all the charges framed against Sri K.V. Raghavendra Rao, the then Superintendent Engineer (R&B), Guntur Circle, Guntur District and reported that all the charges are not sustainable/maintainable.

6. Accordingly, Government have dropped further departmental action against Sri K.V. Raghavendra Rao, the then SE (R&B), Guntur Circle, Guntur District for violation of Rules 8(1), 9(1)&(2) & 10(1A) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 Vide G.O. 8th read above.

7. The ENC, Administration, (R & B) Vijayawada in his letter 9th read above has recommended the Suspension period from 01.09.2017 to 11.09.2019 may be treated as duty period.

8. After careful examination of the recommendations of the ENC, R & B, Administration, Government have decided to regularise suspension period from 01.09.2017 to 11.09.2019 as duty in respect of Sri K.V.Raghavendra Rao, the then SE(R&B), Guntur (now retired) since further action has been dropped in the disciplinary proceedings.

9. Accordingly, Government hereby regularize the suspension period from 01.09.2017 to 11.09.2019 in respect of Sri K.V.Raghavendra Rao, the then SE(R&B), Guntur (now retired) as duty in terms of F.R 54-B(3) & (4)of A.P Fundamental Rules.

10. The Engineer-in-Chief, Roads & Buildings, Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada, shall take necessary action.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri K.V.Raghavendra Rao, the then SE(R&B), Guntur (now retired) through Engineer-in-Chief(R&B) Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief (R&B) Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
Copy to:
The PS to Hon'ble Minister (R&B).
The P.S to Secretary, TR&B Department.
The P.S to Additional Secretary to Chief Minister.
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